



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Request Permission to Solicit Bids for Three Automatic Defibrillators and Obtain Contractual Training and Oversight to Meet San Joaquin County Health Emergency Medical Systems Authority Requirements for Emergency Medical Technicians.

MEETING DATE: May 3, 1995

PREPARED BY: Fire Chief

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council approve the specifications and authorize the Fire Chief and Purchasing Director to proceed with advertising for bids for the purchase of three Automatic Defibrillators for implementation of a EMT-1-D Defibrillator Program for the City of Lodi community. Estimated cost is \$25,000.

Allow the Fire Chief to proceed with obtaining proposals for a certified instructor in utilization, implementing County Protocol and certification of Lodi Fire Rescue personnel. The instructor (Certified Paramedic) must meet rigid State of California and San Joaquin County policies to deliver this type of training. Approximately 27 EMT-1A personnel. Training will require 24 hours of certified training.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Mayor and City Council members recognized the need and utility to purchase these life saving Automatic Defibrillation devices. In the event of a person in full cardiac arrest first arriving firefighters certified EMT-D can initiate procedures to restart victims and attempt to achieve a desirable outcome.

This proposal offers a unique opportunity to furnish the citizens of Lodi with advanced cardiac intervention and possibly returning a cardiac victim who arrested to a stabilized patient in the field.

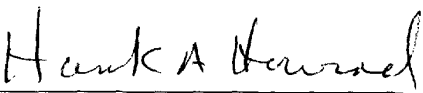
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City Manager

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